



desert conservation PROGRAM

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Quarterly Administrator Update

October through December 2012





**Desert Conservation Program
Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan
Quarterly Administrator Update
January 2013**

Contract & Interlocal Agreement Management

- Contracted with TRAFx for Traffic Monitoring Equipment for the Boulder City Conservation Easement (BCCE), Project 705E.
- Contracted with Doug Nance for Muddy River Property Management 2013, Project 805P.
- Contracted with Nevada Public Radio (KNPR) for advertising for the 2013 Mojave Max Emergence Contest, Project 916D.
- Contracted with the Las Vegas Review Journal (LVRJ) for advertising for the 2013 Mojave Max Emergence Contest, Project 916F.
- Contracted with COX Media for advertising for the 2013 Mojave Max Emergence Contest, Project 916E.
- Contracted with Quality Logo Products for Mojave Max outreach materials, Project 916G.

Project Management

The Program currently shows an approximate dashboard of:

Project Status	# of Projects
Green	19
Yellow	0
Red	0

Four metrics are tracked: 1) budget, 2) schedule, 3) scope, and 4) quality. Green indicates that the project is currently within accepted tolerances for each metric. Yellow signifies there may be or is a problem, but is recoverable. Red signifies that a problem exists that requires immediate attention. For more information on our projects, please visit our website at:

<http://www.clarkcountynv.gov/Depts/dcp/Pages/CurrentProjects.aspx>



Other Administrative Accomplishments

- Processed vendor payments - 32 invoices: 32 accepted (100%), 0 rejected (0%).
- Completed move from the Atrium Building to the Clark County Government Center and transferred surplus assets to County inventory.
- Continued coordination with Clark County Department of Finance and Clark County Comptroller's Office on transition to the Department of Comprehensive Planning to include transitioning grants to the new grants module.
- Started reconciliation for Fiscal Year (FY) 12 single audit act compliance.
- Continued process development for centralized collection of tortoise fees. Attended County request for proposals (RFP) presentation for potential vendors for credit card and electronic payments processing. Contract should be issued by late spring.
- Currently still 8th on Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) waiting list for creation of desert tortoise specialty license plate.
- Continued conversion of permittee refund payments to be made via Automated Clearing House (ACH) or e-check. One permittee still left to be converted.
- Reviewed and provided comments on Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Implementation Agreement final draft.
- Submitted SNPLMA FY12-Q4 project status and FY13-Q1 financial projections reporting.
- Participated in SNPLMA Streamlining Committee conference call for briefing on Executive Committee recommendations.
- Submitted two Round 14 nomination proposals to SNPLMA totaling \$473,150.
- Completed allowable administrative cost analysis and distribution to SNPLMA grants recovering \$17,682.
- Continued closeout reconciliation for Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP) Administration, Project 544.
- Began submission for reimbursement on SNPLMA Round 12 projects.
- Received reimbursement for SNPLMA projects: Round 6 project: 3 draw downs (\$66,448), Round 8 projects: 8 draw downs (\$33,186), Round 12 projects: 1 draw down (\$311).

Document Reviews & External Agency Coordination

- Reviewed Science and Research Needs for the Southern Nevada Agencies Partnership (Federal Agency Group).
- Reviewed Boulder City Bypass Biological Opinion from the USFWS.
- Reviewed and provided comments on the Boulder City Bypass Phase 1 to Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) and the Federal Highway Administration.



- Reviewed and provided comments for the Silver State South Solar Project to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
- Provided GIS Las Vegas Buckwheat Data to USFWS.
- Provided GIS Data to Latitude Consulting.
- Provided GIS springs and springsnail data to Logan Simpson Design Inc.
- Provided GIS data to The Nature Conservancy.
- Attended 2-day workshop for the BLM Dry Lake Energy Zone Mitigation Project on October 24 – 25, 2012.
- Attended Webinar for the BLM Dry Lake Energy Zone Mitigation Project on December 6, 2012.
- Attended a Desert Tortoise Conservation Center (DTCC) Strategy Inter-Agency meeting on October 18-19, 2012 to discuss BLM and USFWS issues and concerns with the DTCC.
- Attended a Pet Desert Tortoise Working Group meeting on October 30, 2012.
- Attended a BLM meeting on Cadastral Survey results along the Virgin River on November 29, 2012, where initial results of survey efforts were shared with landowners.

Acquisition & Management of Acquired Easements, Property, Grazing Rights & Water Rights

- Riparian Property (Muddy River and Virgin River) management activities for the quarter can be viewed on this webpage:
<http://bit.ly/124Wy9X>

Boulder City Conservation Easement (BCCE)

- BCCE management activities for the quarter can be viewed on this webpage:
<http://bit.ly/WbEoA5>

Wild Desert Tortoise Assistance Line

- The line logged 13 calls.
- Four wild tortoises (3 Adults & 1 Hatchling) were collected and transferred to the DTCC. Currently only wild tortoises from construction sites are being picked up.

Public Information and Education (PIE)

- **Mojave Max Education Program** – Continued contract with Red Rock Canyon Interpretive Association and continued education programs.
- Mojave Max Emergence Contest started on November 1, 2012.
- Schools were selected for the 2012-2013 Mojave Max School Assemblies season on December 5, 2012.



- The 2012-2013 Mojave Max School Assemblies started on January 8, 2013.

Desert Tortoise Fencing

- There was no desert tortoise fencing installed during this reporting period.

Financial

- See attached financial summary.

Land Disturbance and Mitigation Fees

- See attached summary.

Adaptive Management Program (AMP)

- Completed a competitive RFP process to select the next Science Advisor.
- Completed a user's manual for Occupancy Statistical Analysis using program PRESENCE, available here: <http://bit.ly/VjjHyW>
- Updated the Data Management Plan Guidelines document, available here: <http://bit.ly/YbDISW>
- Participated in the 2012 Nevada Rare Plant Workshop.
- Inspected the Southern California Edison's Eldorado to Ivanpah Transmission Project site within the BCCE.

Permit Amendment

- Coordinated with Permittees to draft a revised interlocal agreement governing outlining roles and responsibilities associated with implementation of the MSHCP
- Continued to meet with Permittees to discuss options for phasing and timing of amendment implementation.

**CLARK COUNTY DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM
SUMMARY
2005-2007 BIENNIUM**

Section 7

Allocated to spend: \$2,952,883.50

S7 Conservation Project Expenditures	\$1,325,336.79		
Section 7 Refunds	\$111,602.58		
Amount Spent:	\$1,436,939.37	% Spent:	48.66%
Amount Remaining:	\$1,515,944.13	% Remaining:	51.34%

Section 10

Required to spend: \$3,817,775.00

S10 Administrative Expenditures	\$1,516,418.43		
S10 Conservation Project Expenditures	\$2,674,655.30		
Section 10 Refunds	\$20,545.50		
Amount Spent:	\$4,211,619.23	% Spent:	110.32%
Amount Remaining:	(\$393,844.23)	% Remaining:	-10.32%

SNPLMA

Allocated to spend: \$22,034,036.00

SNPLMA Administrative Expenditures	\$4,392,617.37		
SNPLMA Conservation Project Expenditures	\$17,182,292.48		
Amount Spent:	\$21,574,909.85	% Spent:	97.92%
Amount Remaining:	\$459,126.15	% Remaining:	2.08%

DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM GRAND TOTALS

TOTAL FUNDING: \$28,804,694.50

TOTAL AMOUNT SPENT: \$27,223,468.45

% SPENT: 94.51%

TOTAL AMOUNT REMAINING: \$1,581,226.05

% REMAINING: 5.49%

**CLARK COUNTY DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM
SUMMARY
2007-2009 BIENNIUM**

Section 7

Allocated to spend: \$0.00

Section 7 Refunds	\$10,469.04		
Amount Spent:	\$10,469.04	% Spent:	0.00%
Amount Remaining:	(\$10,469.04)	% Remaining:	100.00%

Section 10

Required to spend: \$4,500,000.00

S10 Administrative Expenditures	\$3,038,825.21		
S10 Conservation Project Expenditures	\$1,832,251.14		
Section 10 Refunds	\$39,701.70		
Amount Spent:	\$4,910,778.05	% Spent:	109.13%
Amount Remaining:	(\$410,778.05)	% Remaining:	-9.13%

SNPLMA

Allocated to spend: \$4,237,487.00

SNPLMA Administrative Expenditures	\$1,174,387.80		
SNPLMA Conservation Project Expenditures	\$931,209.57		
Amount Spent:	\$2,105,597.37	% Spent:	49.69%
Amount Remaining:	\$2,131,889.63	% Remaining:	50.31%

DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM GRAND TOTALS

TOTAL FUNDING: \$8,737,487.00

TOTAL AMOUNT SPENT: \$7,026,844.46

% SPENT: 80.42%

TOTAL AMOUNT REMAINING: \$1,710,642.54

% REMAINING: 19.58%

**CLARK COUNTY DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM
SUMMARY
2009-2011 BIENNIUM**

Section 10

Required to spend: \$7,179,827.00

S10 Administrative Expenditures	\$2,641,506.09		
S10 Conservation Project Expenditures	\$1,570,394.05		
Amount Spent:	\$4,211,900.14	% Spent:	58.66%
Amount Remaining:	\$2,967,926.86	% Remaining:	41.34%

DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM GRAND TOTALS

TOTAL FUNDING: \$7,179,827.00

TOTAL AMOUNT SPENT: \$4,211,900.14

% SPENT: 58.66%

TOTAL AMOUNT REMAINING: \$2,967,926.86

% REMAINING: 41.34%

**CLARK COUNTY DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM
SUMMARY
2011-2013 BIENNIUM**

Section 10

Required to spend: \$10,033,502.50

S10 Administrative Expenditures	\$2,551,581.05		
S10 Conservation Project Expenditures	\$131,875.00		
Amount Spent:	\$2,683,456.05	% Spent:	26.74%
Amount Remaining:	\$7,350,046.45	% Remaining:	73.26%

SNPLMA

Allocated to spend: \$92,000.00

SNPLMA Administrative Expenditures	\$311.18		
Amount Spent:	\$311.18	% Spent:	0.34%
Amount Remaining:	\$91,688.82	% Remaining:	99.66%

DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM GRAND TOTALS

TOTAL FUNDING: \$10,125,502.50

TOTAL AMOUNT SPENT: \$2,683,767.23

% SPENT: 26.51%

TOTAL AMOUNT REMAINING: \$7,441,735.27

% REMAINING: 73.49%

LAND DISTURBANCE - TORTOISE MITIGATION ACREAGE/FEE REPORT

1/15/2013

	CC-Civil	CC-Dev Svcs	Boulder City	Henderson	Las Vegas	Mesquite	NDOT	NLV	Yr Totals
2001 Acres	152.70	3,171.52	36.18	1,030.84	1,064.33	89.49	6.85	740.55	6,292.46
2001 Exempt	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2001 Fees	\$84,041.60	\$1,727,378.56	\$19,919.00	\$566,948.47	\$585,436.00	\$28,543.66	\$3,767.50	\$402,055.50	\$3,418,090.29
2002 Acres	251.95	3,296.95	19.68	1,299.75	1,848.38	162.51	11.40	1,584.96	8,475.58
2002 Exempt	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2002 Fees	\$137,603.40	\$1,802,376.26	\$10,824.00	\$709,254.00	\$1,013,806.15	\$89,382.00	\$6,270.00	\$871,757.00	\$4,641,272.81
2003 Acres	382.62	3,374.55	17.63	1,391.89	1,492.50	364.17	4.12	2,105.20	9,132.68
2003 Exempt	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.94	0.00	0.00	2.75	11.69
2003 Fees	\$209,642.75	\$1,855,402.45	\$8,944.50	\$774,022.15	\$710,889.83	\$171,940.68	\$2,266.00	\$1,157,870.50	\$4,890,978.86
2004 Acres	412.01	4,062.93	9.81	1,856.55	1,621.89	518.21	0.00	2,039.21	10,520.61
2004 Exempt	0.00	0.00	1,644.95	0.00	110.97	13.41	0.00	8.28	1,777.61
2004 Fees	\$225,165.31	\$2,239,261.90	\$5,381.50	\$1,005,598.05	\$891,828.23	\$265,492.00	\$0.00	\$1,121,631.05	\$5,754,358.04
2005 Acres	243.27	4,339.36	12.36	1,995.51	1,175.01	408.62	46.80	1,498.52	9,719.45
2005 Exempt	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13.65	0.00	0.00	13.65
2005 Fees	\$127,892.06	\$2,392,014.00	\$6,798.50	\$959,898.90	\$636,019.43	\$198,824.62	\$25,740.00	\$824,191.50	\$5,171,379.01
2006 Acres	105.41	3,365.42	530.50	3,831.64	1,157.47	1,244.43	0.00	739.65	10,974.52
2006 Exempt	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	71.26	37.34	0.00	0.00	108.60
2006 Fees	\$54,970.45	\$1,851,016.68	\$291,643.50	\$2,092,211.09	\$636,955.65	\$680,664.35	\$0.00	\$406,807.00	\$6,014,268.72
2007 Acres	107.63	2,275.45	32.11	798.60	664.51	395.72	0.00	435.20	4,709.22
2007 Exempt	0.00	115.84	0.00	89.77	2.16	27.93	0.00	0.00	235.70
2007 Fees	\$58,373.80	\$1,251,497.50	\$17,661.00	\$439,047.95	\$365,470.08	\$191,207.00	\$0.00	\$219,627.65	\$2,542,884.98
2008 Acres	27.75	949.71	34.10	847.39	218.83	148.26	0.00	390.10	2,616.14
2008 Exempt	0.00	193.66	0.00	19.30	23.75	41.19	0.00	0.00	277.90
2008 Fees	\$15,269.95	\$521,653.88	\$18,756.50	\$473,711.70	\$120,356.50	\$74,585.50	\$0.00	\$214,553.35	\$1,438,887.38
2009 Acres	5.64	173.33	419.54	57.81	72.53	28.82	43.70	17.85	819.22
2009 Exempt	0.00	18.50	28.23	41.19	0.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	88.62
2009 Fees	\$3,102.00	\$95,331.50	\$230,747.00	\$31,795.50	\$39,291.50	\$15,851.00	\$24,035.00	\$9,817.50	\$449,971.00
2010 Acres	1.02	397.06	0.00	84.42	46.82	1.85	0.00	101.31	632.48
2010 Exempt	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2010 Fees	\$561.00	\$218,383.00	\$0.00	\$46,431.00	\$25,751.00	\$1,017.50	\$0.00	\$55,720.00	\$347,863.50
2011 Acres	9.09	381.99	726.41	82.55	64.27	83.83	45.00	340.66	1,733.80
2011 Exempt	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2011 Fees	\$4,999.50	\$210,044.50	\$399,525.50	\$45,402.50	\$35,348.50	\$46,106.50	\$24,750.00	\$187,362.50	\$953,539.50
2012 Acres	2.89	684.21	0.00	450.92	85.77	0.00	0.00	111.06	1,334.85
2012 Exempt	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2012 Fees	\$1,589.50	\$376,315.50	\$0.00	\$249,656.00	\$47,173.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$61,077.00	\$735,811.50
Total acres disturbed to date=			66,961.01						
Total fee Exempt acres disturbed to date (reconciled)=			2,513.77	**					
Total fees collected to date=			\$36,359,305.59						
**15,000 acres is exempt from the \$550 per acre mitigation fee for government use.									
Number of acres allowed for disturbance under current multiple species permit						145,000.00			
Less number of acres reported for which fees have been paid under current permit						66,961.01			
Less number of fee exempt acres under current permit **						15,000.00	**		
Number of disturbable acres remaining under current permit						63,038.99			

**** Note: Clark County Department of Internal Audit has conducted an audit of the exempt acreage and as a result, fee exempt acres for public purpose is no longer allowed. Amount shown (15,000) is the maximum number of fee exempt acres allowed under the current permit.**

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